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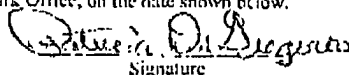
## COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Sir:

Provided herewith are comments on the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for  
Allowance presented in the Notice of Allowance dated October 14, 2005.

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The Examiner remarks that the claims presented in the RCE are allowed because of reasons relating to the claim language "unambiguously distinguishing a densest area of the breast from an area of the paddle containing the graduated marks...". Paper 10042005, pages 2-3.

While Applicant agrees that presented claims pertain to allowable subject matter, Applicant respectfully submits that to the extent that the Examiner's remarks suggest or state that certain limitations or combinations not found in the prior art of record relied upon are or may be present in each and every allowable claim, whether or not specific language to that effect is found in every allowable claim, the record as a whole must be considered in addition to the Examiner's remarks, and, to the extent that the record as a whole is clear and complete, it shall control the interpretation of any and all allowable claims.

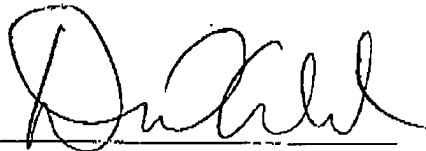
More specifically, the Examiner's statement of reasons implies that features found in the specification only, in the dependent claims only, or in some but not all independent claims only, are part of all of the allowable claims, when in fact the record clearly reflects that there are claims not so limited. For example, elements may be found in one claim but not in another. Accordingly, the other claims, and claims dependent from the other claims that do not recite the same as the one claim, are not so limited. More specifically, allowed independent Claim 12 does not recite "breast". Accordingly, these claims, and claims dependent from these claims that do not recite the same, are not so limited.

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Respectfully submitted,

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